



Greenway Committee
Minutes

Regular Meeting
August 6, 2015

Committee Members in Attendance: Mary Weber, Chair; Kim Williams, Vice-Chair; Jim Grode; Amy Vanden Heuvel, Forrest Merithew, John Ridout.

Committee Member Absent: Richard Lee

Staff Members Attending: Lucy Crown

1. **Mary Weber, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:30**

2. **Approval of Minutes: July 2, 2015 was approved unanimously by the Committee.**

3. **Unfinished Business:**

•**New Member Applications:** We currently have 4 applicants. We can add up to 4 candidates, but likely only at this point. Applications closed Aug 18. Mary/Kim will put together online survey.

•**Outreach:**

a. Amy will be organizing an etiquette campaign for greenway and multi-use pathways. Main drive for campaign is the dog issues at Hominy Creek (loss of goats and dog attacked). Amy will collaborate with Asheville On Bikes, Girls at Play, Parks and Rec, Connect Buncombe, Trips for Kids, the Humane Society, Brother Wolf, Running Groups and AVL City Schools.

b. New map is coming along.

•**Goat Trails** Mary is going to look into pinning down greenway options on open parcels.

•**Rhododendron Greenway:**

a. Developer agrees to change sewer to build on her side of the creek.

b. City likely fine with moving fence at the Armory.

•**East Asheville Feasibility:** Meeting with Park and Rec, Foundation and Grant. Fundraiser was held, now waiting on next steps.

•**Riverfront Re-Development Commission meets in Sept.**

4. **Staff updates:**

•**Planning:**

- a. Kim questioned Vaidila Satvika, City Planner, if they considered proposed greenway plans in the planning at on his level. He stated that typically the city defers to the DOT for transit and greenway.
- b. As for Level 1 projects, there is no real way of knowing who is considering greenway plans. Hopefully with Lucy's position, she will be involved
- c. Kim asked if the city has aligned the greenway corridors with any of the planning maps.
- d. Kim introduced the Open Space Preservation and incentive with housing density. Kim to continue working with addressing this model.
- e. Kim, Form based code to keep in back of mind

•**Lucy Updates:**

- f. AVL in Motion is moving along well
- g. 25% French Broad River Greenway planning. Meeting in August with Duke and Stewart
- h. Jake McClain found piece of property at the corner of Narbeth, City should purchase.
- i. GIS is working on new map
- j. Website will have aerial maps with greenways, funding, construction timeline, greenway details. Asheville projects page will like with Greenway hopefully as soon as Aug. 15.

5. **Greenway Committee Updates:**

- **Multimodal:** Consultant from Asheville In Motion made presentation, creating tools and typologies to help match land use. John recommends that there be two versions, one technical, and the other user friendly with less “insider” information
- **Friends of Connect Buncombe:** discussion of greenway branding and marketing process.
- **Collaborative Greenway Partners:** decision to remove from future agendas until requested.
- **Asheville Parks and Greenways Foundation:** nothing to report
- **Friends of Hominy Creek:** see Outreach topic listed above.
- **Friends of Canie Creek – nothing to report.**

6. **Public Comment:** none

Adjournment – 5pm